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Subject:

The Interim Regulations on Post Employment

Conflict of Interest

From:

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To:

Heads of Departments, Independent

Agencies and Government Corporations/

Designated Ethics Officials

The interim regulations on Post Employment Conflict of Interest, 5 C.F.R. Part 737, published in the Federal Register on April 3, 1979, set forth a number of responsibilities which must be met by executive agencies in the next few months.

It is important that each agency, in the interest of its employees, respond promptly and carefully. The regulations place on agencies the responsibility for developing information necessary to decide which employees will or will not be subject to restrictions for Senior Employees under Section 207 of Title 18 U.S.C., as amended by the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, as well as for proposing "separate" statutory agencies. Therefore, any deficiencies in an agency's response may result in unnecessary restrictions on its own employees.

The due dates are as follows:

- o May 15, 1979 -- Each agency shall notify the Office of Government Ethics of any subordinate statutory agency or bureau which may be designated as "separate". (see §737.13)
- o May 15, 1979 -- Each agency shall submit a report describing all positions at GS-17 and above and in the Senior Executive Service ("SES"), together with the agency's recommendation as to those positions that should not be designated as Senior Employee positions. (see §737.25) (The work each agency has completed for establishment of SES positions is likely to be a useful starting point.)
- o June 30, 1979 -- Each designated agency ethics official shall submit a report of other positions which should be designated as Senior Employee positions. (see §737.25)

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